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Mr. John L. Hoke
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4955 Huntington Drive North
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Dear Mr. Hoke:

Thank you very much for your kind letter of 6 December 1948. It was a pleasure to read your comments and your ideas about the American way of life. The Central Intelligence Agency is not enlisting the support of small newspapers over the country in an effort to combat the forces of subversion. However, I personally do thank you for the offer of your services and suggest that the best way to combat the forces of subversion is to give a clear and complete picture of the way of life in America.

Again thanking you for your thoughtfulness, believe me,

Sincerely,

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